GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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MERGER OF SCHEMES UNDER NREGA
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to prepare a single comprehensive plan to merge various rural development schemes under the National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS);

(b) if so, the details and salient features thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT(SHRI PRADEEP JAIN `ADITYA`)

(a): There is no proposal under consideration of the Government to prepare a single comprehensive plan to merge various rural development schemes under National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA).

(b)&(c): The Act has been launched with the objective to provide 100 days of guaranteed employment to the rural households on demand who are willing to do unskilled manual work.The other programmes of Rural Development being administered by this Ministry have specific objectives different from NREGA.In view of this, merger of various Rural Development programmes under NREGA has not been considered.